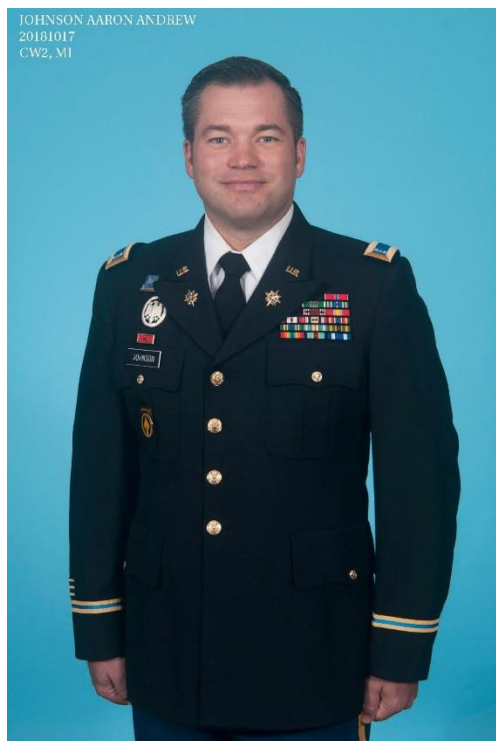


CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER TWO AARON A. JOHNSON
2019 Recipient
CW5 Rex Williams Award for Excellence in Military Intelligence



CW2 Aaron Johnson was born in Dunedin, Florida, in 1987. He joined the US Army as a 97E (now 35M) Human Intelligence (HUMINT) Collector in 2006. CW2 Johnson served in various enlisted and noncommissioned officer assignments as a HUMINT professional, including multiple deployments with conventional and special operations forces in Iraq and Afghanistan, before being commissioned a Warrant Officer in 2014. He served as the Operational Management Team (OMT) Officer-in-Charge (OIC), Delta Company, 8th Brigade Engineer Battalion (BEB), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, and OMT OIC, Korea Rotational Deployment, also with Delta Company, 8th BEB. While assigned to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, he served as the OMT OIC and Information and Electronic Warfare OIC for Delta Company, 65th BEB, 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division and currently serves as the HUMINT Analysis Cell OIC for the 25th Infantry Division. CW2 Johnson is also a primary instructor

cadre at the Digital Intelligence System Master Gunner Course (DISMGC) on Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

During 2018, CW2 Johnson's myriad accomplishments impacted not only the 25th Infantry Division, but multiple organizations across Hawaii and throughout the US Army. He assisted in the construction of the Division language lab; received the highest overall evaluation during the intelligence oversight inspection in the Division; established a Leaders Training Program for all company grade officers in the Division; and advised the 8th Military Police Brigade on detention operations best practices for use in their field exercises. He also sent more than 20 Division Soldiers to the Human Intelligence Training Joint Center of Excellence, maintaining a 100-percent graduation rate.

CW2 Johnson's competence in digital intelligence architecture was illustrated by his development of a robust lower tactical internet data transfer system that proved a viable solution to data transfer in an Anti-Access/Aerial Denial environment. Additionally, to find unique solutions to increase intelligence readiness and operations, he worked with other 25th Infantry Division Warrant Officers to develop a structured data reporting method utilizing United States Message Traffic Format to transfer HUMINT information to the tactical edge in minutes. His efforts in the development of structured data reporting and object based production increased the tactical relevance of HUMINT and enabled time sensitive targeting during multiple exercises.

CW2 Johnson's awards include the Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Military Unit Commendation, the Knowlton Award, and the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Silver). He has an Associate's Degree in Intelligence Operations from Cochise College.